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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Stephen C. Macevicz

SERIAL No.: 08/872,446

FILED: June 10, 1997

FOR: DNA Sequencing by Parallel

Oligonucleotide Extensions

Examiner: E. Whisenant

ART UNIT: 1634

## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 12, 1998, please amend the application as indicated below. A Petition for 2-Month Extension of Time with fee authorization is enclosed herewith.

## In the Specification:

On page 3, line 32, change "required" to --require--.

On page 4, line 21, after "that" insert --of--; on

line 27, change "initializiang" to --initializing--; and on

line 30, change "identifed" to --identified--.

On page 5, line 24 change "the the" to --the--.

On page 6, line 28, after "start" insert --of--; and on line 35, change "in in" to "in".

On page 7, line 25, change "be be" to --be--.

On page 12, line "4.816,571" to --4,816,571--.

On page 13, line 7, change "application," to

--application number--; and on line 26, insert --step-- after "ligation", and change "steps" to --step--.